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Ordered

That Cap: Thomas Besson Cap: Thomas Howell & Mr Thomas Taylor be added to the Commissioners in stead of William Burges Thomas Mears, & Maior Richard Ewens.

These Gentlemen being sworne the Commission was imediatly

filled vp & signed by the Governor

Ordered that

Josias Cole be by the sherriffe brought to the County Court to morrowe morneing.

P. 29 At a Councell held 23° Julij Present The Governor The Secretary Col: Nathaniell Vtie

This morneing was sworne Of his Lordship Councell Mr Edward Lloyd and from the Councell went to assist the Governor at the County Court.

After the Court was ended the Councell mett againe

and there being then Present

The Governor \ Coll: Nathaniell Vtie The Secretary \ M^r Edward Lloyd.

Toke into consideracon the insolent behaviour of som people called Quakers who at the Court, in contempt of an order then made & proclaimed, would presumptuously stand Covered, and not only so, but also refused to subscribe the engagement notwithstanding the Act of Assembly in that case provided alleadging they were to be governed by Gods lawe and the light within them & not by mans lawe and vpon full debate finding that this theyr refusall of the engagement was a breach of the Articles of the 24th of March last, and that theyr principles tended to the destruction of all Government.

Ordered

That all persons whatsoeuer that were resideing within this Province on 24th of March 1657 should take & subscribe the said engagement by the 20th of August next or else depart the Province by the 25th of March followeing vpon paine due to Rebbells & Traitors if found within this Province after the said 25th of March, & that a Proclamacon be forthwith drawne to this effect.

Proclamation

By the Lieutenant & Governor of Maryland.

Whereas vpon the Surrender of the Government to me his Lops Lieutenant on the 24th of March last past amongst other